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The Wildcats managed to come from behind and pull a victory away from the Reed Custer Comets

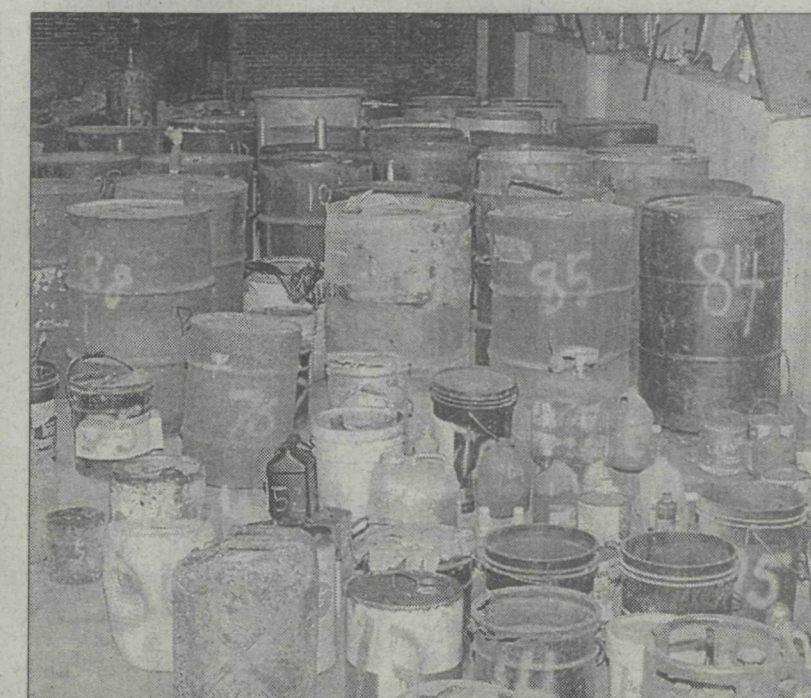
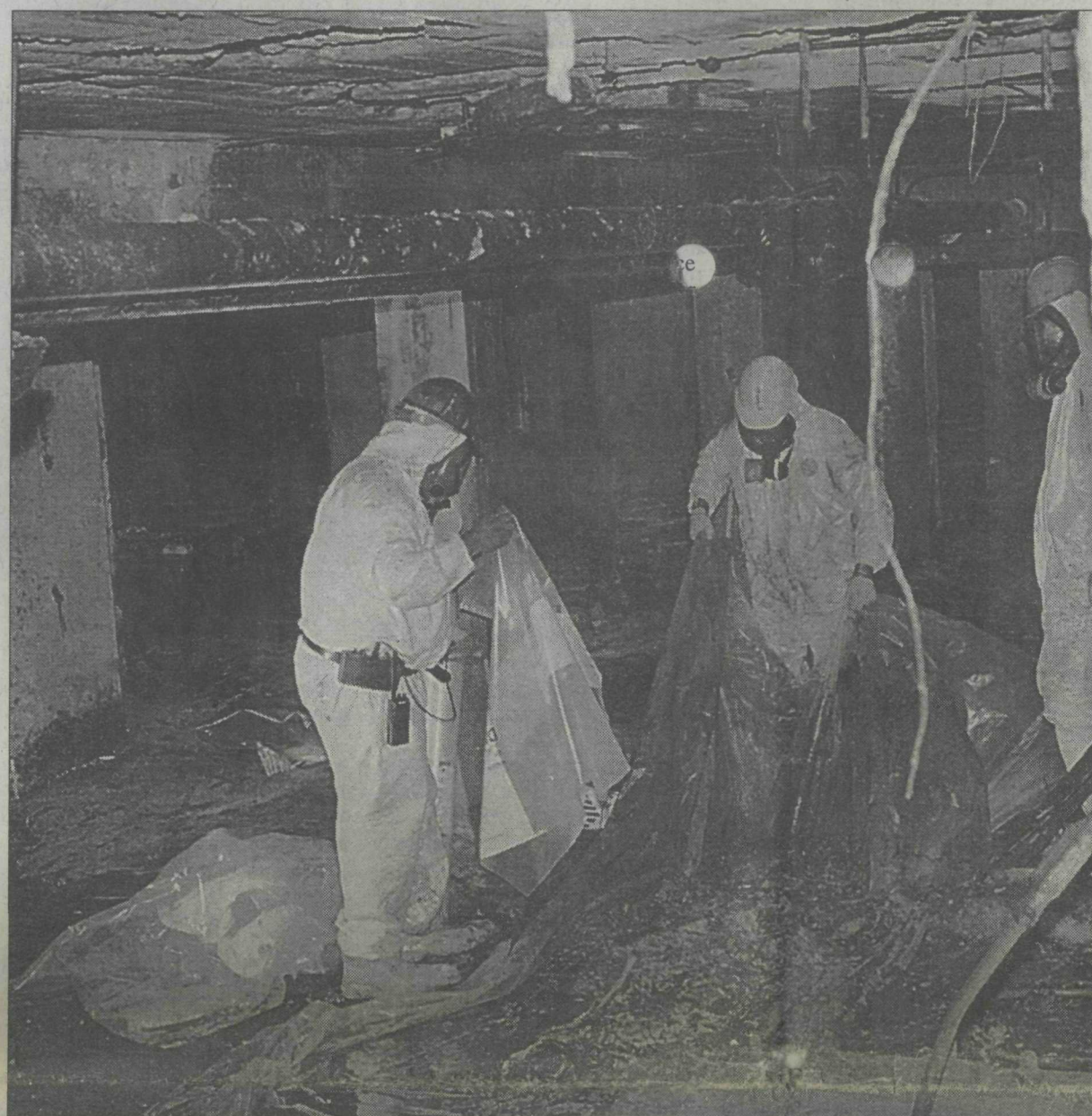
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Lady Cat
shuffle



The men in white suits

Environmental cleanup at Celotex reaches half-way point



MORE THAN 150 drums and containers containing hazardous waste (above) have been collected and assembled in an area of the former Celotex plant on North Kankakee Street and are ready to be shipped off the site. The USEPA, Ecology and Environment Inc. and Environmental Quality Management continue efforts to remove asbestos-containing materials from the manufacturing areas (left). The asbestos is moistened during collection to keep it from becoming airborne. All pipe insulation and loose material are included in the project. It will be removed to a special-waste landfill. It is the recommendation of USEPA on-scene coordinator Steve Faryan that tar in the basement and the asbestos that is mixed in remain in place and when the building is demolished, the debris be pushed into the basement. Faryan said the site would have to be capped and would always be industrial property. Tar oozing from the concrete loading area was scraped from the surface, but continues to bubble and rise from the fill area below. The state and federal EPAs are working on cleanup of the fill area, including the river and creek banks, which are subject to releases from the Faryan said the 40-acre landfill north of Forked Creek needs to be capped and appears to be a hot-spot for open dumping.

209-U expenses jump 8 percent